
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Statutory Storage Period for Embryos and Gametes) Regulations 2009

PART 1

General

Citation and coming into force

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Statutory Storage Period for Embryos and Gametes) Regulations 2009 and shall come into force on 1st October 2009.

Interpretation

2. In these Regulations—

“the 1991 Regulations” means the Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Statutory Storage Period) Regulations 1991(1);

“the 1996 Regulations” means the Human Fertilisation and Embryology (Statutory Storage Period for Embryos) Regulations 1996(2);

“the Act” means the Human Fertilisation and Embryology Act 1990;

“person to be treated” means—

- (a) the woman whom it is intended will be provided with treatment services(3) using the embryo or gamete in question;
- (b) the woman who the embryo or gamete in question has been allocated to by a person to whom a licence applies(4); or
- (c) the man who the embryo or gamete in question has been allocated to by a person to whom a licence applies; and

“the relevant persons” means the two people whose gametes were used to bring about the creation of an embryo.

(1) [S.I. No.1991/1540](#). There are no relevant amending instruments.

(2) [S.I. No.1996/375](#). There are no relevant amending instruments.

(3) In these Regulations “treatment services” has the meaning given by section 2 of the Act.

(4) In these Regulations “person to whom a licence applies” has the meaning given by section 17(2) of the Act.